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Two additional Army National Guard battalions alerted for possible active duty call

The Wisconsin National Guard received alert notification Friday (May 13) for two additional battalions in the 32nd "Red Arrow" Infantry Brigade. The units are Wisconsin Rapids-based 1st Battalion, 120th Field Artillery and Madison-based 2nd Battalion, 128th Infantry. Combined, the two battalions have an authorized strength of just over 1,100 soldiers with units in 13 Wisconsin communities.

Individual units alerted with 1st Battalion, 120th Field Artillery are:

- Headquarters and Headquarters Service Wisconsin Rapids
- Detachment 1, HHS Mosinee
- Battery A Marshfield
- Battery B Clintonville
- Battery C Stevens Point

Units in 2nd Battalion, 128th Infantry are:

- Headquarters and Headquarters Company Madison
- Company A Fort Atkinson
- Detachment 1, Company A Elkhorn
- Company B Oconomowoc
- Detachment 1, Company B Hartford
- Company C Baraboo
- Detachment 1, Company C Reedsburg
- Company D Watertown

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Alert notification directs the units and their soldiers to begin preparing for a possible order to

active duty. If any of these units are actually mobilized, either in full or in part, affected soldiers

would expect to be on active duty for about 18 months, with as much as one full year deployed

overseas.

Soldiers in the newly alerted units began receiving notifications Friday.

With the new notifications received Friday, the number of Wisconsin Army National Guard

soldiers on alert stands at about 2,400, including approximately 1,300 other Wisconsin Army

National Guard soldiers who were alerted one week ago.

There are currently 1,300 soldiers and airmen of the Wisconsin National Guard serving on

active duty. Another 630 soldiers from 2nd Battalion, 127th Infantry were recently ordered to

active duty beginning June 6.

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